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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Telephone Conversation with Colonel Fletcher Prouty, USAF
14 February 1961

25X1A 1. In the temporary absence of [REDACTED] I was contacted on 25X1A
the morning of 14 February by Colonel Prouty with reference to use by
25X1C [REDACTED] of the former [REDACTED] This has been the subject of
correspondence between Development Projects Division and the Air Force in
the past. The most recent communication is one signed by Lt. Colonel Van
25X1C Duyn for General Page, requesting that no further flights of Air Force
marked C-54's or C-124's be made from [REDACTED]

2. Colonel Prouty said that he had discussed this fully with General
Lansdale, and they were in agreement that this move was required because
of two primary reasons, which are:

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a. Recent publicity was given the arrival and dispatch
of [REDACTED] aircraft from [REDACTED] Newspapers
alleged that these flights from that base were connected with
clandestine air support of anti-Castro Cuban movements.

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exchange of correspondence on this subject. I told him that unless he heard from me to the contrary before the end of the day, he could assume that we would not wish to debate this question further. I did not call him.

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